



SOFTBALL PLAYERS ASSOCIATION
“a fun & rewarding place to play”
P.O. Box 1307 Mustang OK 73064
July 20-23 2017

Men’s 50+, 55+ and 60+ Major/Major PLUS World Championships

Dalton, Georgia

Playing dates:

July 21st – 23rd, 2017

July 20th - 22nd, 2017

Men’s 50+ and 55+ Major Plus & Major Divisions

Men’s 60+ Major Plus and Major Divisions

Entry Fee Entries must be received by S.P.A. by **NO LATER THAN July 6, 2017**, and no refunds will be made after that date. It is the Managers responsibility to be sure the entry fee is in and on time to the S.P.A. Headquarters. Mailing Address:

SPA

P.O. Box 1307

Mustang, OK 73064

Email: spaoffice@softballspa.com

Official entry form (See attached) will need to be sent with the team entry fee. Entry Fee \$750 Make Checks Payable to: S.P.A

TEAM MANAGERS MEETING: MEN’S 60+ MP & M 7:00 PM on 07/19/2017 at Parks & REC Dept, 904 Civic Drive Dalton, GA 30721. 50+ and 55+ MP & M 7:00 PM on 07/20/2017 at Parks & REC Dept, 904 Civic Drive Dalton, GA 30721.

HALL OF FAME INDUCTION CEREMONY: SATURDAY 7:30PM AT THE EAST STAGE AREA OF THE SOFTBALL COMPLEX

NATIONAL SENIOR SOFTBALL HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE’S TO BE ANNOUNCED 2017

LADIES BREAKFAST: LADIES APPRECIATION BREAKFAST FRIDAY 8:00 AM – 9:30 AM LOCATION: Dalton Convention Center located at 2211 Dug Gap Battle Road, 30720. Meal catered by the city of Dalton CVB. “Not your everyday Convention Center Breakfast experience”!

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Run Rule

20 runs after 4 innings or 15 runs after 5 innings. Run rules are in effect for ALL games including the Championship game(s). At any time a team cannot legally overcome the run difference, the game is over.

Run Limits

Major Plus: 9 Run Limit till last inning and extra innings – Unlimited Runs. **Major Division:** 7 Run Limit till last inning and extra innings – Unlimited Runs

Home Run Rules

Major Plus: 7 HR (one up rule is in effect), additional home runs are walks, base runner(s) advance (if forced) **Major Division:** 4 HR (one up rule is in effect), additional home runs are walks, base runner(s) advance (if forced).

Softballs are SPA approved COR .44 with a 375 compression.

Each team will be given 12 FREE SOFTBALLS!!!! Baden – Fire Ball Optic Yellow (this is the only ball that is approved for the SPA World Tournament. Additional Baden Softballs Ball will be available to purchase for \$50.00 per dozen / \$25.00 per ½ dozen. Store your softballs in a cool area at night. Do not put your softballs in a cooler or “freeze” them. Softball Policy All softballs that are going to be used in the game are required to pass through ONLY the Home Plate Umpire. No softballs can be thrown directly to the pitcher. 3 Softballs will need to be given to the Home Plate Umpire at the start of each half inning. When the Home Plate umpire has used all 3 of the softballs he or she were given, they will ask for 3 additional balls. No team will be allowed to throw in a new ball for each batter.

Bat Policy

Must be stamped with BPF 1.21 or less – See SPA Rule Book Altered Bat Policy – File Bat Protest (protest fee \$450.00 cash)- Stop game & ask for TD Illegal or Altered Bat Rule (Bats will be confiscated) Flare or Cones Are legal. A flare or a cone grip may be attached from the factory, or a factory flare or cone may be attached to the bat by the player, but the flare or cone must be installed properly to the bat. The flare or cone must be taped or covered by an approved bat grip, and the bat must meet all the S.P.A. bat requirements.

A maximum of 1 layer of tape may be used on a bat. No tape around the bottom of the knob! Game bats must be inspected by the UIC or his designated umpire and marked prior to use in any game. A maximum of three bats per player will be authorized.

Pool Play

Home run and run limits will apply One (1) hour time limit – finish the inning plus one inning

Double Elimination Double elimination games will have a 1 hour and 15 minute time limit - finish the inning plus one inning. No time limits for “championship and/or “If” games. Double elimination brackets will be posted approximately 1 hour after the last game of pool play.

Brackets at the park are the official game times and field assignments. Check your game scores for accuracy. If there is a difference you need to notify the TD. Home run and run limits above will apply.

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SOFTBALL PLAYERS ASSOCIATION 2017 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS Dalton, GA July 20 - 23

OFFICIAL TEAM ENTRY FORM

Age Division: 50+ 55+ 60+ (Please Circle) Major Plus, Major

Team Name: _____ S.P.A. Sanction # _____

Manager Name: _____

Address: _____

City State Zip Code

Telephone #: Residence _____

Cell _____ Business _____

Fax _____ Email Address: _____

Hotel _____ Telephone # _____

Teams Check List

1. Team Roster must be entered online at SPA roster management
2. Entry Fee: \$750.00 Checks, Cashier Check or On Line Payment at www.softballspa.com
3. Entries must be received by JULY 6, 2017
4. All teams must be S.P.A. registered
5. Players must have their S.P.A. Player Card & Drivers License

Mail Entry To: S.P.A.

P.O. Box 1307

Mustang, OK 73064

(405) 376-7034 Telephone

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2017 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS DALTON, GA HOTEL/MOTEL INFORMATION

Hampton Inn (HOST HOTEL) 1000 Market Street 706-226-4333 / 800-HAMPTON Exit 333 / Walnut Ave \$99.00 plus tax

Courtyard by Marriott 785- College Drive 706-275-7215 Exit 333 \$99.00 plus tax

La Quinta Inn & Suites 715 College Drive 706-272-9099 / 800-228-1000 \$ plus tax Exit 333

Country Inn & Suites 903 Westbridge Road 706-278-9700 Exit 333 Walnut Ave \$99.00 plus tax

Days Inn 1518 West Walnut Avenue 706-278-0850 \$ plus

Red Roof Inn 1529 W Walnut Avenue Exit 333 706-226-1100 \$67.99 plus tax

Super 8 on Market ST 911 Market Street Exit 333 706-275-0100 \$59.99 plus tax

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